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Talks commence to save McKinley Bridge

Papa: Without solution, span will someday close

By Scott Cousins
 Staff writer

The creation of a task force to "save" the McKinley Bridge in

Venice was announced Thursday morning by Madison County Board Chairman Rudy Papa.

Papa, who is also chairman of the East-West Gateway Coordinating Council, said that without a long-term solution to financial problems at the bridge, it would eventually be closed for safety reasons.

The city of St. Louis recently announced plans to auction off ownership of the bridge - owned by the city of Venice - for back taxes. That move has been put off for at least 90 days after the Venice City Council agreed Tuesday to pay St. Louis \$58,000.

Venice owes more than \$500,000 in taxes for 1994-1996. The city has been unable to pay because the money was needed as a local match for a \$7.5 million rehabilitation project

on the bridge's eastern approaches.

Because of declining traffic and rising maintenance expenses, the city never resumed paying the taxes. The city challenged the tax, but it was upheld in Missouri courts.

If Venice loses control of the western portion of the bridge, it would effectively kill a planned \$12 million rehabilitation project planned for next year.

Without that rehabilitation, bridge officials have said the road deck on the western side would fail within 3-5 years. If Venice would stop performing monthly maintenance on the western side of the bridge, which costs about \$30,000 to \$40,000 per month, the bridge would probably be closed much sooner, perhaps in just a few months.

The task force will include officials from the offices of both Illinois Gov. George Ryan and Missouri Gov. Mel Carnahan; the Illinois Department of Transportation; Missouri Department of



John Badman photo
 Madison County Board Chair Rudy Papa, who is also the chair of the East-West Gateway Coordinating Council, addresses the media during a press conference at the McKinley Bridge.

Transportation; East-West Gateway Coordinating Council; Regional Commerce and Growth Association; Leadership Council

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Possible solutions may include payment to Venice

By Scott Cousins
 Staff writer

While a task force to deal with problems at the

McKinley

Bridge is still form-

ing, officials involved in the situation agree that if a solution is found it will probably include some kind of buyout for the city of Venice.

A combination of failing riderhip, long-term debt, taxes and maintenance make it very unlikely Venice, which purchased the bridge in the late 1950s, could ever find a solution on its own.

Those problems include about \$4 million in outstanding bond debt, the taxes owed to St. Louis and ongoing mainte-

"The bottom line is going to be money," said Venice Mayor Tyrone Echols. "We've got to come up with some solutions for the money."

Echols said that while he would like the city to remain part of the bridge, he is not opposed to selling the city's interest in it.

"No matter what happens, I think Venice ought to benefit," he said. "We've had this albatross for 40 years and I'm not here to recommend to the council a giveaway scheme."

Both sides say the bridge has been a problem for the city since the early 1970s, but many of those long-term problems have become more extreme recently.

Last October, the city defaulted on those bonds. An agreement between the city and its bondholders was finally reached, but the interest rate on the outstanding bonds was tripled to 6 percent from 2 percent.

While the city can probably

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Office remodeling raises few eyebrows

Valle defends work as necessary

By Michael Heil
 Staff writer

Granite City Treasurer Gail Valle would like to spruce up her office with a dab of paint here and with a working cubicle or two there.

After all the dabs are done, the new cubicles are in place and the renovations are complete, the renovation project will cost about \$17,000, a figure that Second Ward Alderman Jim Miller said is ludicrous.

"The money could be utilized more efficiently somewhere else," Miller, who was defeated by Valle in 1997 for the treasurer's post, said. "I don't think this will improve city government. I haven't

been given any justification as to why they are needed."

The renovations will not only include the new partitions, but will include partitions and a newly laid rug. Add the fresh coat of paint to the powder-blue walls, and Valle said the office will have a healthy, fresh look.

"The walls haven't been painted in 15 years," she explained. "I think the last part of City Hall to see some kind of renovation."

According to Valle, the courtroom has a new look, as does the basement area and City Clerk's and mayor's offices. Even the parking lot, she said, received a \$17,000 face lift from TIF funds.

"The city has a surplus of money that can be used for

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Renovations shift Granite classes

Work affects middle schools

By Michael Heil
 Staff writer

When school resumes this fall for students in the Granite City School District, they will

not only see their friends and teachers, but also construction crews working on renovation projects.

"This is being done to respond to the shift in population and as a way for the district to move sixth-graders to the middle schools," said Tom Holloway, Granite City School District administrative assistant/secondary director.

The student shift from the western to the eastern part of town, Holloway said, is overcrowding several schools, making it necessary for the district to upgrade the schools



Tim Stephenson photo
 Work at Grigsby Middle School will prompt a shift in some classes when school begins later this month.

and redistribute the students.

Renovations began in early June and are slated to be completed by fall 2000 at a cost of about \$6.4 million.

Floors will be laid, wiring and plumbing will be installed and air conditioning units and windows will be upgraded at Coolidge Middle School. Students will be moved from one classroom to another as workers renovate certain areas.

At Grigsby Middle School, 16 classrooms will be renovated. In addition, six classrooms at Maryville Elementary School will be added, as well

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Law office is now planned for tracts

Alderman opposes annexation without commission hearing

By Michael Heil
Staff writer

Two tracts of land on the southwest corner of Maryville Road and Buenger Boulevard have been dormant for years.

The two undeveloped tracts will soon show signs of life in the form of construction equipment now that the Granite City Council has voted to annex and rezone them.

GRANITE CITY consist of a total of more than two acres and are owned by local attorney Dennis Orsey. For more than a month, Orsey has been awaiting the council's decision on the tracts so he can go ahead with plans to build a modern law office building on about a half-acre of undeveloped land somewhere else.

The council's decision to unanimously annex and rezone the tracts from R-1 residential to C-6

commercial was comforting news to Orsey.

"Having one in Granite City is what I'm acutely aware of the lack of quality professional office space in the city," Orsey said. "What I propose to bring is that kind of office space to Maryville Road."

Sixth Ward Alderman Craig Shaw, whose son owns a home on one of the tracts, was not at the council meeting. Shaw and Second Ward Alderman Craig Tarpoff recently squared off at the council meeting over the legality of annexing the tracts without the approval of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

They have had a hot topic of debate because they are part of an area that is mostly residential.

Orsey, who was somewhat dumbfounded by the council's proposed rezoned actions, said he plans to have the building complete in about \$300,000. Ground was broken Tuesday at the site.

Ryan, Stephens to face off Monday

Race planned at Gateway track

It may not be the Mongoose versus the Snake, but the action Monday evening on the drag strip at the new International Raceway promises to be interesting.

Gov. George Ryan and state Rep. Ron Stephens will race each other in candidates planning to face off in a friendly drag race.

The races will be part of a fund-raiser by the House Republican Campaign Committee.

The governor, several other state representatives and candidates for what can only be described as slow-motion drag races," Stephens said.

The event will be from 5 to 8:30 p.m. at the track, located off Illinois 203 in Madison.

Stephens said safety will be stressed during the race, and there are no plans to run the 220 miles per hour plus of professional drag racers.

"I think we'll be racing Dodge Neons," he added.

"This kind of get-together is unique," Stephens said. "It's put on to help the area's Reputation car racing team. All the money literally stays at home."

One of the "real" racing

highlights will be an actual NASCAR car, courtesy of the new Petty Driving Experience.

A VIP tour of Gateway will also be available, including track-side, the pit areas and garage. The event includes special seating for the races and refreshments.

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* **ASSAULT:** An incident occurred in the 2200 block of Ohio Monday evening in which a woman threatened a man with a knife.

According to a police report, a man was riding a bicycle in a area when a woman approached him and held the knife threatening to do bodily harm.

Police have a suspect and are seeking battery charges against her. The incident occurred about 9 p.m.

* A person in the 1500 block of Cleveland was kicked and punched repeatedly early Saturday morning near the Billiard Club.

According to a police report, the person was seriously injured and did not receive medical attention.

Police have a suspect and are seeking battery charges against him. The incident occurred about 1:15 a.m.

* Raymond Norton, 26, of the 2600 block of Marshall, Granite City, was charged Friday with battery.

According to a police report, Norton was involved in a fight at O'Connell's Pub on Washington Avenue about 10 p.m. Friday. The report stated that Norton walked up to the victim and punched him in the face.

An altercation ensued in which a victim's tooth was broken and his face was lacerated.

* A fight occurred Sunday morning in the 2400 block of Grand Avenue.

According to a police report, the incident took place about 9:30 p.m. on Sunday. The report stated that Norton walked up to the victim and punched another repeatedly with his fist.

Police have a suspect and are seeking battery charges against him.

* DUI: Scott Ray, 28, of the 2400 block of Lincoln, Granite City, was charged Monday with driving under the influence of alcohol.

According to a police report, Ray was driving about 1:30 a.m. Monday for driving without taillights and for weaving. The report stated that during a conversation with Ray and an officer, Ray admitted he had a blood-alcohol level of .13.

* A breathalyzer test revealed that Ray had a blood-alcohol level of .13. Ray had a blood-alcohol level of .13.

* BURGLARY: A garage burglary occurred Sunday evening in the 2000 block of 14th Street.

According to a police report,

items stolen were several tools, with a combined value of \$350.00. They were stolen between midnight and 1:30 a.m.

* A burglary occurred Sunday in the 1700 block of Cleveland.

According to a police report, a TV and VCR were stolen between the hours of 7:40 a.m. and 10:40 p.m. The items were valued at about \$800.

* A burglary occurred recently on Adams Street.

According to a police report, the burglar obtained a garden supply shed. The shed door was cut, the report stated, and a lawn cart and garden hose were stolen. The items were valued at about \$450.

* INJURY: A man was found bleeding from the head early Monday morning in the 1800 block of State Street.

According to a police report, the man was found about 1 a.m. in a fetal position with his hands over his head. The report stated that he was bleeding profusely and was rushed to St. Elizabeth Medical Center, where he was treated for a gash near his eye.

The man was released. The case is being investigated by the police department.

* SEXUAL ASSAULT: A woman working at a business in the 1800 block of State Street was sexually assaulted by man Thursday morning.

According to a police report, the man walked up to the victim and said "I'm going to rape you." She was then thrown to the ground, the report stated, and sexually assaulted. The suspect fled, he grabbed \$35 from the cash register and about \$2.50 from the woman's purse. Police are investigating the incident, which occurred about 7:30 a.m.

* Edwin Ojeda, 39, of the 1700 block of Marion, Granite City, was taken into custody Monday with criminal sexual assault and criminal abuse.

According to a police report, Ojeda was driving about 1:30 a.m. Monday for driving without taillights and for weaving. The report stated that during a conversation with Ray and an officer, Ray admitted he had a blood-alcohol level of .13, more than two-and-a-half times the legal limit in Illinois, which is .08.

* BURGLARY: A garage burglary occurred Sunday evening in the 2000 block of 14th Street.

According to a police report,

when officers arrived, they charged the men through several yards before apprehending them in the 2800 block of Dale Avenue.

* **Pontoon Beach Police**

* **POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE:** Mitchell Washington, 40, of the 4400 block of Birch, St. Louis, was arrested Monday for allegedly having in his possession a controlled substance.

Authorities are awaiting test results before possible charges can be filed.

* **THEFT:** David Hubbard, 42, of the 100 block of Whetzel Way, was charged Friday with theft of a barbecue pit.

* **SEXUAL FAILURE TO APPEAR:** Jason Beard, 24, of the 1100 block of Arrowhead Drive, Collinsville, was taken into custody Sunday for failure to appear. Beard was released after posting bond.

* William Starr, 26, of the 4500 block of Walter, Granite City, was taken into custody Sunday for failure to appear. He was released after posting bond.

* Amy Brown, 21, of the 100 block of Mallard, Pontoon Beach, was taken into custody Sunday for failure to appear. She was released after posting bond.

* **Venice/Brooklyn Police**

* **ARSON:** Illinois State Fire Marshal's Office is investigating a series of fires in two houses on the same block Brooklyn and Venice early Sunday morning.

According to a police report, a house at 115 S. Sixth, Brooklyn, and 152 S. Sixth, Venice.

A 37-year-old Brooklyn man has been taken into custody in the case, but charges have not been filed.

The man, who has a history of arson, was seen leaving the scene of one of the fires.

* **ASSAULT:** Police responded to a report of a dispute where weapons were displayed in the 200 block of West Second Wednesday.

The 17-year-old girl told police she was sitting outside when three

women walked up and started to threaten her. She said the three were also carrying knives.

When interviewed by police, the three said that the other girl had threatened them and had brandished a knife.

The incident apparently stemmed from an earlier dispute.

Madison Police

* **BATTERY:** A Madison woman was taken to St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City after reportedly being beaten with a pipe, resulting in her hair done early Tuesday afternoon.

According to police reports, officers responded to reports of an attack on a woman by two others at Barbara's Beauty Supply, 406 Main Street, Granite City, about 11:30 p.m. Tuesday. When police arrived, they found the victim standing in front of the business covered in blood.

She said she had been having her hair done when two other women came in and one of them struck her in the head. Both women said it was a metal pipe.

The victim tried to flee into a bathroom, but the two followed open the door and hit her again with the pipe and their fists.

Several witnesses gave statements to police.

The incident allegedly stemmed from an altercation between the women about two weeks ago.

* **DRUG CHARGES:** A Madison man was arrested on warrants and faces additional drug charges after being arrested early Wednesday morning at Williams' gas bar at the 500 block of West Second, Madison. Williams, 39, was arrested on three outstanding warrants and reportedly responded to a report of a break-in or at the Huck's Store at 1200 Madison Ave.

A clerk said that Williams had been asked to stay out of the store, and a record check revealed he was wanted for failure to appear on the warrants.

During his arrest, police discovered a plastic baggie containing suspected crack cocaine.

Further charges are pending lab analysis of the suspected crack.

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Venice School Board fills positions

Search for qualified candidates will continue, Vickers says

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

The Venice School Board took action Tuesday to fill a number of vacancies, both in teaching and support staff.

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action took place at a special meeting Tuesday. Most of the meeting involved interviewing candidates and was held in closed session.

Acting School Superintendent Robert Vickers said the board interviewed and hired people to fill two custodial positions. Both positions were open due to retirements.

The board also hired a Spanish/English teacher for the high school and accepted a letter of resignation from another high school English teacher.

Vickers said the district is looking for candidates in a

number of positions, most at the high school level. Those include positions teaching math, business education, English, physical education and drivers' education.

The district is also making preparations to interview for a new superintendent, pending a hearing set for next week on suspended Superintendent James Daugherty and a director for Venice-Lincoln Technical Center.

"We had some resignations at the elementary school, but we're still trying to fill them until we know what is going to happen," Vickers said, referring to the question of non-resident students.

The district could be facing the loss of more than one-third of the student body. Even though it is facing a budget deficit in the high school, the vacant positions must be filled because while elementary

school teachers can be shifted, it is more difficult to shift high school teachers because they are certified in specialty areas.

With the start of the school year rapidly approaching, Vickers said all the pressures facing the district make it difficult to plan.

"It's very difficult," he

Robert Vickers
Acting Venice
School superintendent

school teachers can be shifted, it is more difficult to shift high school teachers because they are certified in specialty areas.

He noted that many people think school administrators have an easy time during the summer when it is actually one of the busiest.

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News

Obituaries

Bonnie Britton
Bonnie M. (McGOWAN) BRITTON, 70, of Granite City, died at 12:55 p.m. Wednesday, August 4, 1989, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center emergency room in Granite City.

She was born June 4, 1919, in Cherryville, Mo. Mrs. Britton was a homemaker. She was a member of New Life Christian Church. Presbyterian Church, was secretary of the deacons and was active in the Women's Circle, the Girls' Bible School and Christian Women United.

She married Floyd L. Britton 50 years ago; he survived her.

Other survivors include two daughters, Judy Hankins and Joan Burkovich, both of Granite City; two sons, Mark Britton and Steven M. Buhmann of Indianapolis; Michael D. Buhmann of Highland, and Bradley A. Buhmann of Pocahontas; his daughter, Katrina M. Buhmann of St. Louis; and seven grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was held Saturday, Aug. 5, at St. Felicitas Catholic Church, Burial in St. Felicitas Cemetery.

Services were held Saturday, Aug. 7, at Irwin Chapel, Granite City, with the Rev. Jeffrey Ann officiating. There was a Sunset Hill Committal in Glen Carbon.

Memorials to the church are suggested.

George E. Buhmann

GEORGE EDWARD BUHANNON, 59, of Pocahontas, formerly of Granite City, died at 7:15 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 3, 1989, at his residence, 1000 W. Main Street, April 2, 1940, in St. Louis, to the late John J. and Edna K. Buhmann. He was a millwright for the Granite City Mill and retired to his retirement in 1986 and enjoyed woodworking and carpentry. He was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Beaverton, Prairie and United Steelworkers Local 16 in Granite City. He was a former

member of St. Joseph parish in Granite City and Knights of Columbus #1098 in Granite City. He was a member of the Archdiocese of Collinsville; three grandsons, Taylor, Dominic and Andrew; and three great-grandchildren.

Survivors include five sons, John George E. "Bud" Buhmann Jr., of Florissant, Mo.; Stephen M. Buhmann of Indianapolis; Michael D. Buhmann of Highland, and Bradley A. Buhmann of Pocahontas; his daughter, Katrina M. Buhmann of St. Louis; and seven grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Alberta A. "Bert" Bladick Buhmann, whom he married in 1941.

A funeral Mass was held Saturday, Aug. 5, at St. Felicitas Catholic Church, Burial in St. Felicitas Cemetery.

Spengel-Boulangier Funeral Home in Highland handled the arrangements.

Memorials are suggested to the Visiting Nurse Association of Illinois Hospital.

JoAnn Chemotti

JOHANNA (WILSON) CHEMOTTI, 52, of Maryville, died at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 4, 1989, in Maryville.

She was born Aug. 19, 1936, in St. Louis. Mrs. Chemotti was retired from Union Technologies Automobiles for 20 years.

Survivors include her husband, Martin Chemotti of Maryville; her mother, Dorothy Chemotti of Fort Worth; two daughters, Dawn (Todd) Zavaglia and Kim Mitchell of Maryville; two brothers, Joe Johnson and Butch Corbin, both of Fort Worth, Texas; two sisters,

Karen Lovelace and Barbara Chidress, both of St. Louis; her Collingsville; three grandsons, Taylor, Dominic and Andrew; and three great-grandchildren.

Services were held Saturday, Aug. 5, at Herr Funeral Home, Collingsville, with the Rev. Fred Winters officiating. Burial was in St. John Cemetery, Collingsville.

Memorials to the American Cancer Society are suggested.

Evelyn L. Kaleda

EVELYN L. KALETA, 66, of Granite City, died at 11:59 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 3, 1989, at Colonial Care Center in Granite City.

She was born May 29, 1923, in Beloit, Wis., to the late Mason and Virginia Page. She was a dietitian at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She was a member of the Granite City Lions Club.

Survivors include a son, George R. Wilson of Granite City; two brothers, David Page and Billy Wayne Page; two sisters, Patricia Page and Jewel Mills; and two grandchildren, Amy Wilson and Katie Wilson, both of Granite City.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Celsus Kaleda.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. today, Sunday, Aug. 6, at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, 2205 Pontoon Road, Granite City.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 7, at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, with the Rev. Carl W. Winkler officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Gardens in Glen Carbon.

House passes steel industry loan bill

By Ande Yakstis
Staff writer

The U.S. House has passed a \$1 billion steel loan bill that may help save Laclede Steel Co. from bankruptcy and keep 600 jobs at the Alton plant.

Laclede officials and Steelworkers union leaders said the bill passed Wednesday night could revitalize the Alton plant and make it a major competitor in U.S. steel markets.

"The federal loans will be a giant step toward helping Laclede come out of bankruptcy and keep the Alton plant viable and operating into the next century," said Terry Wooden, president of United Steelworkers Local 3642.

Laclede filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy Nov. 30 in a move to reorganize its ailing financial position. The Alton plant and five others open.

The guaranteed federal loans would help Laclede make \$40 million in annual savings at the Alton plant, said Michael Lane, executive vice president and chief financial officer at Laclede.

"The financing from the loan could help Laclede emerge from bankruptcy. Our goal in the bankruptcy reorganization plan is to keep the Alton plant open."

The critical House vote of

246-176 in favor of the loan bill came at 10 p.m. Wednesday, seven weeks after the Senate passed the bill by a vote of 64-34.

They have urged President Clinton to sign the bill as soon as possible so Laclede and other companies can apply for loans to save their steel plants, said Sen. Jerry Costello, D-Belleville.

The guaranteed federal loans could save Laclede, the last major production industry remaining in Alton, Costello said.

"Laclede's \$26 million a year payroll is vital to the 600-plus

employees, their families and the health of the economy of the entire Alton area."

Costello, U.S. Rep. John Shimkus, R-Collinsville, U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Springfield, and the international Steelworkers union led the fight to pass the loan bill.

Former U.S. Sen. Alan Dixon of Belleville, a lawyer, was a strong lobbying force for the bill, Lane said.

Laclede will apply for the federal loans as soon as they are available," he said.



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Where Beautiful Things Begin

Work-saving tips are something everyone can use, whether you’re a gardener or not.

After all, who doesn’t enjoy a few extra leisure moments now and then?

Put grass only where it’s needed. If you don’t like to spend time maintaining a lawn, there’s no need to have any more of it than necessary. For example, ground cover could be used along the narrow strip next to the house. It doesn’t require mowing and will still provide plenty of beauty. Stones or patio blocks can also be used.

Avoid sharp-edged, small patches of lawn and other areas that are hard to mow.

Nobody likes constantly

stopping and maneuvering

the mower, and the less of

it you have to do, the

quicker you’ll be relaxing in your favorite chair.

Surround tree bases with gravel or other mulch. This makes it easier to mow, and is better for your trees, and cuts down on weeding.

Don’t plant large, lush

plants next to the house.

They can be tough to trim, and get in the way when you’re washing the windows or propping up a ladder. Choose smaller varieties instead.

Call it trimming, pruning, cutting or whatever you wish, but there will be less of it to do if you make the right choice of plants. You should opt for compact or slow-growing varieties to reduce the maintenance chores.

Keep the trimmers and

pruners sharp. Dull blades

are no fun to work with. A sharp blade produces a

nice, clean, fast cut.

Buy only the best quality tools. They make the work

faster, easier, and you

won’t have to drop

everything and head out to

replace a shovel that bends in the middle of a job.

Keep the tools in good

condition and store them

in a safe, easily accessible

place. One reason many people don’t like working in the yard is that they can never find the right tool when needed. Where’s the hand trowel? Oh, well, big

spoon will have to suffice. Of course the trowel will be there in all its glory when you’re looking for the pliers. What’s the solution? One is a pegboard and the other is a basement. It’ll work just as well in the garage as it does in the basement workshop.

Don’t cut the lawn too short. Many people do just that, erroneously believing it will “go longer before needing mowing.” Here’s the secret to that effect. Short grass invites weed growth, and you’ll end up spending more time pulling weeds, applying weed controls and getting everything back to normal than you would by mowing it a little more often.

Use plastic edging along flower beds, above-ground swimming pools, etc. This keeps everything in a neat, orderly fashion. Plastic edging is easy to install, and it will save you a lot of work in the long run. Here’s a hint: When you first open the edging, lay it flat in the sun for a few hours. Then it will be much easier to bend and shape any contour.

Plant only plants and grasses suitable for this area. If you don’t, you could end up spending a ton of time trying to maintain something that wasn’t meant to grow here in the first place. Of course Frank’s plant buyers have already figured that out, so you don’t have to worry.

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Labor laws must be adhered to

Bill would prohibit violators from receiving U.S. contracts

By Sen. Dick Durbin

Each year the federal government awards more than \$180 billion in contracts for services to individuals and corporations. Today, according to the U.S. General Accounting Office, billions of these funds are going to companies that are violating our nation's labor and employment laws. This cannot continue.

We must protect the integrity of federal procurement contracts and assistance programs by ensuring the federal government does business with responsible contractors and participants. For this reason, I introduced legislation earlier this year that would keep violators of health and safety laws from receiving federal contracts.

In 1996, the GAO reported that \$28 billion in federal contracts were awarded in fiscal year 1994 to contractors who had violated workplace health and safety laws. This figure represents 22 percent of the \$176 billion in federal contracts of \$25,000 or more awarded that year.

Part of the reason for this is that the National Labor Relations Board, which enforces our nation's labor laws, does not know whether violators of the law are receiving federal contracts. And the General Services Administration, which oversees federal procurement, does not know the labor relations records of federal contractors.

The GAO concluded that although federal agencies have the authority to deny contracts and federal assistance to companies that violate federal laws, this authority is rarely used in the case of safety and health violations. The GAO found federal agencies do not normally collect or receive information about which contractors are violating health and safety laws, even when contractors have been assessed large penalties for egregious or repeat violations.

Earlier this year, the Archives of Internal Medicine concluded that job-related injuries and illnesses in the United States are more common than previously thought, costing the nation more than AIDS, Alzheimer's, cancer or heart disease.

The report analyzed national estimates of job-related illnesses and injuries back in 1992, states that more than 13 million Americans were injured from job-related causes in just one year — more than four times the number of people who live in the City of Chicago. The report concluded workplace injuries and illnesses cost our nation \$150 billion a year.

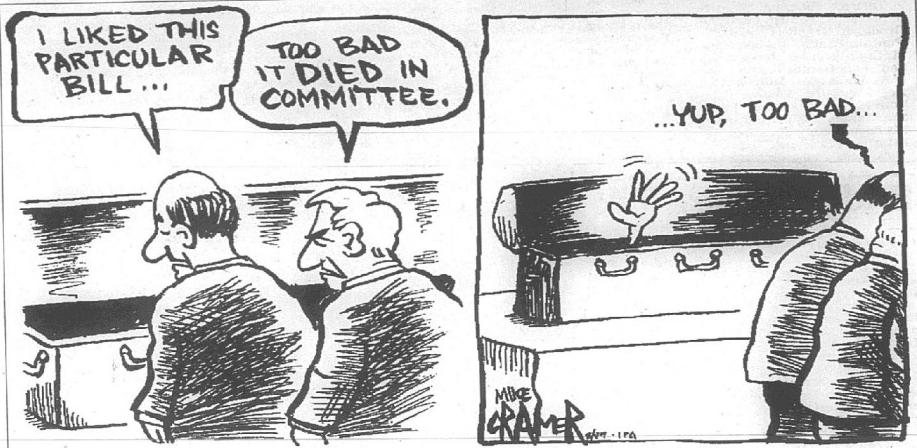
It is important that the vast majority of federal contractors obey the law. However, the federal government has a responsibility to taxpayers, working Americans and law-abiding businesses to ensure federal tax dollars are not awarded to individuals and corporations that violate safety and health, labor and veterans' employment preference laws.

Earlier this year, I introduced legislation that will allow the U.S. Secretary of Labor to debar or suspend companies from receiving federal contracts and assistance for violating the National Labor Relations Act, the Fair Labor Standards Act, the Occupational Safety and Health Act or the disabled and Vietnam-era veterans hiring preference law.

It also will require the Secretary of Labor and the NLRB to develop procedures to determine whether a violation of law is serious enough to warrant debarment or suspension. And as recommended by the GAO, this legislation will require ongoing exchanges of information between federal agencies to improve their ability to enforce our nation's laws.

This legislation is directed only at those who are violating the law. It will deny federal contracts and assistance to individuals and companies that violate the law and ensure that federal contracts are awarded to companies that respect the law.

Dick Durbin is a U.S. senator from Illinois.



Only in Springfield.....

'Do-overs' continue as common practice in legislature



Rich Miller

You may have heard the expression about how no proposal ever dies in the General Assembly. There's a good reason for that. On its face, the legislature looks a lot like a sporting match.

There are rules for play, time limits for getting things done, what looks like a well-defined beginning and end (even overtime), and just like in real professional sports, all the contestants have humongous egos.

However, Sammy Sosa strikes out, he can't ask the umpire for one more pitch. "Do-overs" are disdained in grownup games. If just doesn't seem right that after a long game is over, somebody could say "Wait, I have to repay them last ten minutes." Wrong.

So, maybe that's why it seems odd that some legislation never dies. A bill is voted on in committee and is defeated, but two weeks later it pops up on the House floor, where it goes down again. The next day the bill passes and zooms out of the Senate and winds up on the governor's desk.

Logically, when the bill died in committee, that should have been the end of the game. But maybe the sponsor of the bill was doing something it used up a favor with his party's leadership, or maybe the leaders thought they could score some political points by passing the bill. Or maybe the

sponsor/lobbyists were just determined that absolutely nothing was going to get in their way.

That was what happened with a group of environmentalists this year. They were hornswoggled back in late 1997 when the utility deregulation bill passed. As I've told you before, the environmental Law and Policy Center had a commitment from a majority of members in the state Senate to attach a \$30 million energy conservation package to the deregulation bill.

At the last minute, though, the folks at the Center were told that Commonwealth Edison and the other big utility companies just wouldn't go along with the conservation stuff. But, they could rest assured that the bill would be passed the following spring to take care of their request.

That "we'll do it next spring" line is one of the oldest tricks in the Springfield book. The idea is to get an interest group to back off "temporarily" so that major legislation can pass, with the solemn pledge that the law will be

fixed to their liking the following year.

Well, there's a time-honored saying in Springfield: "Everybody lies." By the time "next spring" rolls around, there is no longer any interest in passing the postponed issue because the deal was already cut the year before, and legislators are usually loathe to reopen complicated issues that they only recently managed to put to bed.

The Center was furious at being lied to. They vowed to the legislative leaders to approve an energy conservation plan, but most observers figured that if the environmentalists were not hard-pressed to fall for that old "we'll take care of you next spring" crud, then their odds of success were slim indeed.

And it didn't look much better when an entire session passed without the slightest bit of action on their demands.

But nothing ever dies in Springfield, and the greens found a way to come back when Commonwealth Edison found a buyer for its old, pollution-spewing coal-fired power plants.

And, oh, what a buyer it was. ComEd would get a whopping \$8 billion for plants that it believed were worth only a small fraction of that.

The windfall caught the attention of some legislators, who saw an opening to pry concessions out of the newly flush corporation. The sales

agreement would automatically null and void if the legislature passed any new laws mandating scrubbers for the coal plants.

That clause allowed legislators to force the utility to the bargaining table.

The company's new CEO was different from the old, hardline ComEd leaders. He was appalled at the intense dislike, even hatred of his company at the Statehouse, and he vowed to improve its image.

So, after much negotiation, he agreed to set up a \$250 million trust fund that would pay for energy conservation and a limited amount of clean coal technology.

Not everyone was happy. One group, the large and influential Illinois Environmental Council, grumbled that the plan didn't go far enough to reduce pollution from the coal-fired plants, which will soon be cranked up all the way to give the new owners a return on their mega investment.

Despite the bad feelings, this was a big win for the greens.

And, it proves once again that you should never, ever count anyone out in Springfield, because the do-overs are endless.

Rich Miller also publishes Capitol Fax, a statewide political newsletter.



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Talks begin to save McKinley Bridge

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District; the municipalities of St. Louis, Venice, Madison, Brooklyn, Granite City and Pontoon Beach; Madison and St. Clair counties; retired U.S. Sen. John Danforth, chairman of St. Louis 2004; Illinois state Reps. Wyvette Young and Tom Holbrook; Illinois state Sen. James Clayborne; and Madison County State's Attorney Bill Haine.

"Unless a long-term solu-

tion can be reached to solve the financial problems of the bridge, it won't matter who owns it because it will be closed for safety reasons," Papa said.

The Jerome St. Louis officials said owning part of the bridge could benefit the city, officials with St. Louis Mayor Clarence Harmon's office have said he does not want the property.

The McKinley Bridge is an important transportation link

between Missouri and Illinois that must be preserved," Harmon said in a prepared statement. "I will commit whatever resources necessary to ensure that an equitable solution is found to the current issue of back taxes owed to the city of St. Louis and to the larger issue of the long-term viability of the bridge."

Papa did not say when the task force would meet or what its timetable or deadline would be.

Bridge's future linked to rest of system

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pay the interest. Echols said it would be difficult to touch the principal.

The city has also doubled the inspections and maintenance of the bridge since 1994. It was the cost of those measures - requested by the Illinois Department of Transportation as a safety precaution - that forced the city to stop payment of property taxes to the task force.

The continued expenses, about \$10,000 a month, were mostly spent on the western portion of the bridge, spending that made it difficult to make the bond payments.

Echols also said that recent traffic studies have shown decreasing ridership on the bridge, and that it is unlikely the bridge will ever be used - especially with the prospect of a new bridge to be built just about one mile to the south.

Despite the problems asso-

ciated with the bridge, it is still considered a very important link in the region's transportation system.

"This bridge is part of a system, and that's the context we need to look at this entire Mississippi River crossing situation," said Jim Pennekamp, executive director of Leadership Council Southwestern Illinois, one of the participating groups in the task force.

He noted - as did Papa - that there are now fewer lanes across the Mississippi River than when the Poplar Street Bridge opened.

A huge portion of the work done in Illinois works in Missouri on a daily basis," Pennekamp said.

According to the 1990 census, that figure is about 80,000 per day.

"It's extremely important to the businesses in the city of St. Louis. The city has every reason in the world to become a partner in fixing this situa-

tion," Pennekamp said.

Maintaining and improving the transportation is vital if the St. Louis region wants to remain a "crossroads" in the United States.

"We have physical barriers - the Mississippi River - you have to be able to cross easily," Pennekamp said.

He added, "So, this will continue to be a center for transportation, distribution and logistics industry."

Pennekamp noted that Southwestern Illinois is becoming increasingly attractive for distribution companies because of its traffic infrastructure and central location in the U.S.

"There's been a lot of growth there, but it depends on our ability to keep these bridges open and functioning," Pennekamp said.

In addition to IDOT, several other possible owners were mentioned.

Renovations greeting Granite students

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as four at Niedringhaus Elementary School.

Unlike students from Coolidge, those at Grigsby, Mayville and Niedringhaus will not be shuffled.

Holloway said the district devised a plan several years

ago to put money aside to receive matching funds from the state to help cover renovation costs. The district was also able to cut costs as employees did most of the interior and demolition work.

At the February Granite City Rotary Club breakfast, Granite City School

Superintendent Steve Balen discussed the renovations and the closing of the Old Melvin Price Support Center were to be closed, forcing the renovation funds to be used for other purposes, the district would be put on the Illinois State Board of Education's financial watch list.

Office renovations raising some eyebrows

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the office, just as it was used for other parts of the building," Vale said.

Sixth Ward Alderman Eddie Asadorian's view was similar.

"I'll support department efforts to make offices more

productive for city employees," Asadorian said.

Even though the renovations are part of the city budget, the project is being overseen by Granite City Mayor Ron Selph. Work on Vale's office cannot begin until Selph gives his OK.

Special Olympics seeking new uniforms

Region I launching fund-raising drive; \$3,000 being sought

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

More than 50 Tri-Cities area Special Olympians recently

came back from the summer games covered in glory, and coaches are hoping that next time, they will be covered in new uniforms.

Coaches for Region I, the special education cooperative that includes mentally and physically challenged student athletes from Granite City, Madison and Venice, are seek-

ing donations for new uniforms for the athletes and have sent out letters to local organizations and businesses.

"We're trying to raise enough money to buy new uniforms for our athletes; the ones we have are 10 years old," said Sue Palmer, one of the Region I coaches and a member of the board of directors for Area 12 Special Olympics.

She said uniforms, which include T-shirts and shorts, cost about \$25 per athlete, and they are hoping to raise at least \$3,000.

"Sometimes we need 100 uniforms, sometimes we need 150 uniforms," Palmer added, saying it depends on how many want to or are physically able to participate each year.

"If we could get \$3,000 that

would be real nice, but we'll take what we can get," Palmer said.

So far, they have collected about \$700 from local groups and businesses.

Local businesses, 52 located letterbox, have contributed more than 3,000 others from across the state in the Special Olympics Illinois Summer Games at Illinois State University in Bloomington-Normal in June. Athletes competed in aquatics, track and field, bocce ball, golf, gymnastics, powerlifting and tennis.

"In a lot of ways, this is the only type of activity that they can get to be in," Palmer said.

Palmer said most of their athletes are not physically capable of participating in regular school athletics, and their trip to the Special Olympics might be their only chance.

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Youth camp's aim is to 'build better people'

Camp offers opportunities to children 8-14

By April Calvin
Staff writer

Kids ages 8-14 are welcomed every year at East St. Louis' Community Camp.

"It's all about building better people," said Vanessa Carter, a member of the group as both camper and counselor, she now directs the camp for kids 12-14.

The East St. Louis Community Camp has, since 1971, provided children aged 8-14 the opportunity to relax, play and learn in a natural environment. Originally founded by community leaders who saw the need for a local program for children's activities, the organization now provides wealth of other events.

Antoinette Culp is the president of the camp's board. She has been a part of it for 26 years. Now retired, Culp was a nurse with school district 188 for 22 years.

I started when the children were camp age, thinking it would be for a short term. But it hasn't worked out that way," Culp said.

Camp fees are minimal. The cost this year is \$100, which is nominal, considering Culp's figure of \$150 in expenses per child.

Two summer camps are offered. In June kids 12-14 went to Camp Woodland Hills in St. Charles. In August, 8-11 year olds will attend the camp.

The Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints loans the camp space for indoor activities, and drop-off and pickup points. Due to its affiliation with the church this year, the camp is able to offer the group a substantial discount.

Even though campers get to stay in air-conditioned cabins, they are not allowed to bring their decorations and counselors and others encourage them to appreciate, and savor, the outdoor experience.

Volunteer Judy Loyd leads the nature hikes, teaching kids about the plants and animals around them while stressing long-term behavior. Campers swim, many learning for the first time, make crafts, and take nature hikes.

Older kids have classes in drama, and yoga and meditation.

"I try to get them away from the city," Carter said.

"The theme of our camp is celebrating peace," Carter said. "We do a lot of things to help the kids learn to get along with each other."

The publicity that we have received from the last two years in being a part of the youth development fund has really helped us to become more of a presence in the community. That's helping us recruit new volunteers."

Antoinette Culp
Camp board president

In addition to more traditional camp activities, younger children will participate.

They love that," said Youth Camp Director and aluminum Robert Gray. "We try to keep the same tone for both camps."

The group also offers a parent-toddler weekend in September, a picnic in October, a 5K run in May, and a symposium in November. Team building activities are frequently held, as well as MCA for teachers, instructors, and counselors in training. Donations come from private citizens, businesses and organizations.

According to Culp, the United Way is the camp's biggest contributor. Funds also come from the East St. Louis Community Development Corporation, the Levi Strauss Foundation and the Urban League Youth Development Fund.

"We are grateful for what we have received from the last two years in being a part of the youth development fund has really helped us to become more of a presence in the community. That's helping us recruit new volunteers," Culp said.

That's important in an organization where most of the staff is made up of volunteers. "We appreciate all our volunteers," Culp said.

Contributions and donations are invaluable, Culp added. "Now, we can concentrate on doing camp activities instead of getting the money."

The group held its gospel fund-raiser in February with local singer Charlotte Hart the featured vocalist. This year, the event was tied in with Black History Month; a fashion show with African styles from Myra's Fashion's was held.



Dennis Caldwell photo
Anna Monrotus, left, and Sara Adriano work on an art project at the Earthshop program, one helped financially by the Urban League Youth Development Fund.

Earthshop allows creativity Money from Urban League builds program's base

By Brian Hoener
Staff writer

The diversity of the children playing and working in the basement of Shaw Avenue Methodist Church ranges in not only race and age but also talent.

From the group hammering away at building a new wooden table to the individuals painting, drawing and writing, the Earthshop summer program share experiences with neighborhood kids they may have never met.

"We have a diverse neighborhood; a lot of these kids didn't know each other before the program," said the Rev. Linda Strominger, pastor of Shaw Avenue Methodist Church on Shaw Ave. in south St. Louis.

"So the experiences of this program help cut down barriers."

Earthshop is one of the many St. Louis area programs that receive funding from the Urban Youth Development Fund. Strominger said the past three years the development fund has contributed almost \$200,000 a year.

"They have seen the stable basis that can be built around," Strominger said. "But it's more than just the money; it's the feeling of support."

For the 25 students enrolled in the eight-week Earthshop summer program, the enjoyment of learning new activities is what makes them want to return each year.

"When I come here they let me choose what activities I want to do," said Sara Adriano, 11, who enjoys painting in her second year with the program.

Strominger said Earthshop, which serves kindergarten to fifth-grade students, focuses on developing lessons learned in school concerning science and arts.

"We bring a life dimension to the concepts the kids learn in school," Strominger said. "We continue with the development to the basic education, but despite the opportunity for some new experiences."

The activities at Earthshop include painting, drawing, working, cooking, writing and field trips. So far this summer the kids have been to the Zoo, Science Center, Butterfly House in Chesterfield and a weekly trip to the Duvel-Marquette swimming pool.

"When we come here, there are a lot of things to do. Other camp activities have nothing fun to do," said 10-year-old Anna Monrotus.

Each year the program provides a new theme as a focus for the children's education. This year's theme is insects.

Chris Roberts has been the director of Earthshop for five years and said the program allows the children enhanced

science lessons. "We can go in depth about insects, which a lot of schools don't have time for," Roberts said.

Participants are asked to pay \$15 a week for Earthshop, which also receives funding through other resources such as congregation donations, individual contributions and various grants.

The program has a limit of 25 children, which helps Roberts keep the child-adult ratio. Five Earthshop employees are neighborhood youth or young adults.

One of those instructors is Kevin Sparks, who has been with the program for four years.

"I love being around them," Sparks said. "I enjoy their company and the relationships we have to build. I guess you could say I've been like a father figure to some of them."

For others, Earthshop is about the simple things.

"I enjoy witnessing the little joys of success after these kids finish a project," Roberts said. "That's what makes my heart happy."

Laws target methamphetamine

By April Calvin
Staff writer

Narcotics users settle for stolen fertilizer.

Drug manufacturers have been stealing anhydrous ammonia, a commonly used fertilizer, according to the Farm Bureau's Tom Jett.

It is used in the production of methamphetamine.

Methamphetamine, known as "meth," "speed" or "crank," is among the most prevalent illegal drugs in the Midwest because it is quick and easy to produce from unrestricted products and can be made almost anywhere.

Legislators have assembled a shopping list of new bills to

combat the problem. House Bill 376, sponsored by state Sen. Frank Watson (R-Greenview), requires criminal charges for delivery of methamphetamine in cases involving more than 900 grams, the minimum sentence was raised from 6 to 10 years. For 400 to 900 grams of drug, the minimum rises from 6 to 8 years. The maximum fine for possession was set at \$200,000.

Ryan signed the bills Monday.

A related piece of legislation, House Bill 1278, targets drug manufacturers. It names a Class A felony the possession of raw materials intended to be used in the manufacture of illegal drugs.

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Schnucks seeks possession of store site

By Dennis Grubaugh
Staff writer

Schnucks Markets has asked a court to give it possession of the site of a local grocery store because of \$95,032 supposedly owed in rent and other payments.

Schnucks Markets filed a lawsuit Wednesday in Madison County Circuit Court against Dean M. and Jane Burrus, of Edgewaterville, the owners of Dino's City Market at 124 S. Buchanan St. They have leased the site from Schnucks since June 1996.

According to the suit, the Burruses entered into a contract to sublease the property in June 1996, moving into the

location much later. Schnucks sent a certified letter to the business owners June 30, 1999, demanding payment for back rent. The Burruses have told them they were in default under terms of the lease agreement.

Because of that default, Schnucks is entitled to possession of the premises, Maune said.

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Dean Burrus was traveling and unavailable for comment Wednesday.

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Tri City honors its top players

Millas earns MVP award; Mercer tabbed for hustle

By Rick Broome
Staff writer

Tri City Legion Post 113 celebrated the end of the

LEGION Wednesday night

with the annual awards

Matt Mercer walked away

with the Pete Rose Hustle

Award. The senior catcher was

a mainstay in the Post 113

line-up all summer long.

"He is a hard-working kid

who wants to play every day,"

Tri City coach Chad Lignoul

said. "It was kind of tough on

Matt because he was the only

catcher. He had to play

every game except one, and he

wanted to catch that one."

"He was really tough at the

end of the year, throwing

practically everybody out. He

was a great blocker of the

ball. I let him call the games

95 percent of the time. I didn't need to tell him very much. He's a very smart and very strong player. I don't know what you are going to get out of Matt, and at the high school level, that's rare."

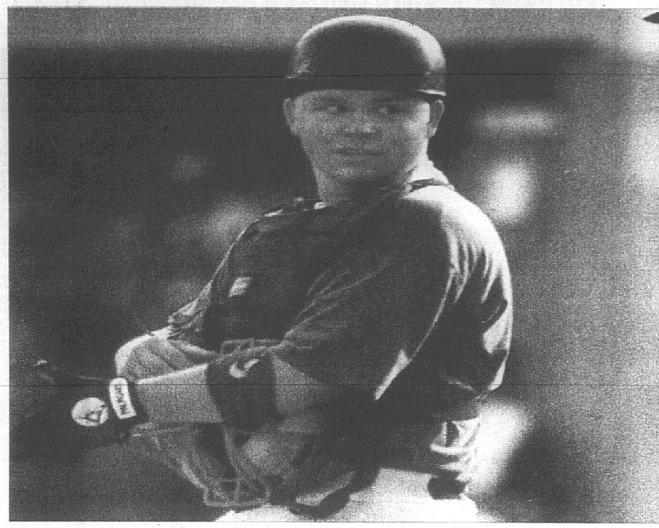
Senior Eddy Millas took home the Most Valuable Player Award.

"I think Teddy's numbers always speak for themselves," Lignoul said. "He hit .400 to .410 all year long. I just know that Teddy will always be a great hitter, but with Kevin Elliott out, I had to ask Teddy to play center field, which he did, and done well his freshman or sophomore year."

"He turned out to be one of the best centerfielders in the whole district. I would say he was as good as anyone going and getting the ball. I know he would be good out there, but

he was really tough at the end of the year, throwing practically everybody out. He was a great blocker of the ball. I let him call the games

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Tim Stephenson photo

Post 113 catcher Matt Mercer received the the Pete Rose Hustle Award Wednesday at the team's annual awards banquet.

Greenville enjoys unlikely success in 1st year

14-10 squad sits atop North Division, boasts second best record in league

By Garen Vartanian
Staff writer

Mon-Clair League baseball teams typically endure

MON-CLAIR growing

BASEBALL during

their first

year of competition.

Stadeau, all Chester and

Brighton, for example,

combined for less than 10 wins

in their inaugural campaign of '99.

Both teams since have

dropped out of the league.

Greenville, conversely, has

prospered in its first season of

league play this summer.

Following a doubleheader

win over Valmeyer on Aug. 1,

"Things have been great. I really didn't know what to expect coming into the league. But we've played real well."

Joe Alistat
Greenville coach

Greenville stands at 14-10 overall and in first place of the North Division.

Greenville is second in the league overall behind Waterloo.

"Things have been great," Greenville coach Joe Alistat said. "I really didn't know what to expect coming into the league. But we've played real well."

Along with toppling the

solely of college players. "We knew we were playing good competition. It's been a great experience for all our guys and for me too."

Pitching prevailed in the Greenville-Valmeyer twinbill Aug. 2.

Greenville hurlers Ed Breuchard and Mike Nance combined to allow just 10 hits in 2-0 and 1-0 victories.

The Lakers pitchers were nearly as dominant.

Greenville starter Dave Lucht allowed 12 hits but only two first-inning runs.

Wesley Brooks of Greenville pitched seven hits and one run in the second game.

Brooks walked just one and

fanned seven.

"As you know, if you don't score, you don't win," Valmeyer manager Dennis Pieper said. "Overall, we had a good defense. Our offense has been very good. And the two kids they had threw well."

Valmeyer is 21-13 overall.

In other Mon-Clair action Aug. 2, Millstadt recorded two forfeit victories from Farmington (Mo.).

League action resumes today

for four doubleheaders.

Sauget visits Waterloo.

Millstadt travels to Valmeyer.

Granite City hosts Farmington (Mo.) and Greenville

entertains Fairview Heights.

Mon-Clair all-stars square off Wednesday

Fiala bids for second MVP honor in all-star competition this season

Special to the Journal

Neil Fiala of the Waterloo Buds already has accomplished a great deal in his

MON-CLAIR baseball

BASEBALL career.

But the league's four-time batting champion will bid for a unique place in the league's history on Wednesday.

Fiala could become the first

Mon-Clair player ever to win a

all-star game and MVP honors in one season when the league's own all-star game is played 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at

Fairview Heights.

Fiala won his first honor July 21 by being the

Mon-Clair all-star team to an

8-3 victory against the all-stars from the St. Louis-based Metro Collegians League.

At Fairview Heights, the

veteran second baseman will

be joined by four other

Mon-Clair players on the

South Division's starting

lineup: shortstop Jeff Kaiser,

outfielder Steve Haake,

catcher Jim Anderson,

pitcher Cory Blackwell,

Completing the South line-

up will be third baseman Todd

Baltz, right fielder Brian Beckard

and designated hitter Bob

Walter from Millstadt; and

first baseman Brett Crawford

and outfielder Mason Horne

from Valmeyer.

Reserves include: infielder P.J. Perucca, outfielder Mark Briggs and pitcher Brian Klemke from Granite City;

outfielder Mark Burnham,

outfielder David Lewis and

pitchers Ed Breuchard and

Jeff Mason from Granite City;

outfielder Bryan Johnson, catcher Jon Davis and pitcher Joe Reed from Fairview Heights;

infielder Jeremy Summers,

pitcher John Frech, and

outfielders Tim Dierkes and

Marvin Evans from Sauget.



Paul Baillargeon photo

Waterloo Buds pitcher Darin Hendrickson is a reserve for the South Division all-stars in the Mon-Clair all-star game, set for Wednesday night in Fairview Heights.

Edwardsville bows in state tournament

Arlington Heights eliminates defending national champion

By Louie Korac

Staff writer

Two bad innings and some

unlucky developments were

all it took to officially

thrash Edwardsville Post

199 from the top

of the American Legion world.

A pair of three-run home

runs by Arlington Heights'

Jeremy Parent and Joe

Parenti in the bottom of the

second inning highlighted a

six-run inning Friday for

Arlington Heights. That was

enough for Post 200 to

eliminate Edwardsville 11-7

in the losers bracket at the

Illinois state American

Legion tournament.

Winning pitcher Andrew

Garms pitched seven innings

before giving way to Parenti

for the final two innings in

the contest at Northwestern

University's Wells Field in

Evanston.

Arlington Heights (35-9)

went on to face Danville

Post 200 of Peoria, and

the winner of that game

advanced to face Rock

Island Post 200 for the state

championship on Saturday.

Edwardsville (31-8) will

State qualifiers
Collinsville Bulldogs
win Metro East division

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Granite
boxers
win gold

Barnes, Warren
claim titles
at regional

By Rick Broome

Staff writer

Fighting proved to be very
rewarding this summer for

BOXING Granite
City High

School students

Eric Barnes, a Granite sophomore, and Ian Warren, a junior, competed in the 1999 Junior Olympic Regionals in Indianapolis. Both boxers took home the gold with Barnes winning the 13-14-year-old division for 132-pound division and Warren capturing the 178-pound division in the 16-year-old division.

"I had a good time," Barnes said. "I was having fun and just about doing what I do. I just had a couple of matches in the week leading up to regionals, so it was kind of a good experience for me."

Both boxers had a similar self-assessment.

"I did all right at regionals," he said. "I didn't expect to take home the gold. I've only been in boxing since September."

The Duo boxers both boxers at 45th Street Gym in Fairmont City.

"Eric has been box for a couple of years," said his dad, Dennis Pieper, who started when he was 12 at Hardboulders Gym with me. I just started with them a year ago and thought they had very good chances at getting gold in going in."

"Eric is a hard worker. He's very determined, very competitive. He is just a

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Post 199 bows in state tourney

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loser, working six-innings, giving up 12 hits, nine runs and four walks, while striking out four. His downfall was a secondinning, when Arlington Heights struck for six runs on six hits. In addition, Post 199 collected three runs on four hits in the seventh inning. Other than that, Zika worked effectively, but those two innings were damage enough.

"The thing about it was, the pitchers that he threw, he got a curveball (to Paul) that cut off the bottom half of the plate as opposed to staying away," said Edwardsville manager Ken Schaake. "The other kid (Paul) was 3-1 in the coming or something and got a fastball up."

"He made two mistakes, but he's come up big for us during the year. He came up big in the divisional (Fifth Division) tournament. He deserved the opportunity and it was just those one or two bad pitches... can't fault him for balls that hop over infielders' heads or fall in between (the outfielders)," Schaake said.

"He wasn't walking people. He was putting the ball in play, but it's just unfortunate that they string together a couple hits along with the couple breaks that they got," Schaake said.

After Chris McCoy's solo home run helped Edwardsville grab a 2-0 second-inning lead, Arlington Heights brought out some extra aluminum. The winners got to Zika for five straight hits before he could register a strikeout.

Nelson Gord and Trevor Stocking singled to lead off the second before Paul struck again, sending the tournament to left-center. After Paul's home run made it 3-2, Parent's three-run blast stretched the lead to 6-2.

After that, Zika retired 13 of the next 15 batters to keep Edwardsville in the game.

However, Garm's only blemish was a two-out single he allowed to Andrew Honegger in the fifth and a two-out blast by Bogie down the left field line which made the score 6-4.

Arlington Heights scored three runs in the seventh.

"That's what I tried to tell the kids afterwards is that they really don't have anything to be ashamed of," he said. "They played real hard this year."

Post 199 rebounds in losers bracket

Lineup changes for Edwardsville pay off in 17-5 victory at state

By Louie Korac
Staff writer

So much for an anemic offense.

After the Edwardsville American Legion team was limited to one run on Wednesday, Post 199 burst out of the funk.

Thursday at the American Legion state tournament in Evanston.

Behind a 16-hit attack and the pitching efforts of Chris Johnson, Brett Zika and Jake Bernaix, Post 199 used a seven-run second inning and posted a 17-5 eighth-inning victory against host Northbrook Post 791 in the losers bracket.

Northbrook was eliminated with a record of 1-15.

In a bit of shakeup, Edwardsville manager Ken Schaake shuffled his lineup in an attempt to instill some confidence in an offense.

Andrew Honegger was moved up to the second slot from seventh. Matt Turner moved up one spot to the fifth spot. Adam Bernaix replaced Ryan Peterson in the lineup, while Chris McCoy dropped from

No. 2 to No. 7 and Todd Spitz from No. 5 to No. 8.

Turner continued his hot-hitting going 3 for 6 with two doubles, two walks scored and three RBI. Tim Hansel continued to be a catalyst from the leadoff spot by going 2 for 4 with two runs, three RBI and reaching base four times. Bernaix was 3 for 5 with 5 RBIs, two runs and three RBIs. Nick Seibert and Matt Bogie each had two RBI, while Honegger and Spitz each collected two hits.

"Some of the other kids are starting to get hot, so we've averaged around as high as some of the other teams," Schaake said. "They're swinging better bats. So we moved them around a little bit, dropped some guys down maybe to see different types of players." That way, there're more real working players as much up in the middle of the order as they may move down to six, seven, eight, nine hitters."

Some little luck on Wednesday and Edwardsville may have been victorious instead of dropping its opening round game to Danville 4-1. On Thursday, Post 199 got those breaks, with the help of

eight Northbrook errors.

"The first thing, I told the kids that outside of a couple balls we hit really well, the good ones, reached the ball and harder today than we did yesterday," Schaake said. "We were just fortunate they misplayed a couple of the balls early on and we just got on a roll."

After a rough start, Jeff Lottich (7-2) worked the first five innings to pick up the win. He finished five hits, three runs, two walks and four strikeouts. Zika worked two innings and Schutte finished off the eighth.

Northbrook, after utilizing seven pitchers on Wednesday, used five more on Thursday. One pitcher was Waukeeta New Trier's Matt Lottich, who stymied Edwardsville 11-1 in the IHSA Class AA semi-quarterfinals.

Lottich came on in relief of Pat Misch, who lasted just one inning and allowed four hits and six runs (three earned) to absorb the loss. Lottich lasted 2½ innings and allowed three hits, four runs (three earned), two walks and two strikeouts. Brad Feldman, Steve Ruh and Andrew Margolis also pitched.

Edwardsville falls in tournament opener

By Louie Korac
Staff writer

For a team that was coming in red hot offensively,

Edwardsville Post 199 ran into a pitcher that could stop any offense.

Danville Post 210's Jim Paddock stomped Post 199 with a good assortment of pitches, good location and the pitcher's best friend.

Paddock scattered eight hits over nine innings with one walk and 10 strikeouts and was the beneficiary of four double-play balls as Danville

dropped Edwardsville 4-1 Wednesday afternoon in the first round of the American Legion state tournament at Wells Field on the campus of Northwestern University in Evanston.

"I just know I had to hit the corners, spot my pitches and let me defense do the work for me," said Paddock, as he could help them out," said Paddock, who improved to 5-2 on the season. "In that situation, with runners on base, you want to be outside corner. Hopefully, they won't try and go the other way with it and they'll just try and beat the ball into the ground to the shortstop. It worked, four times. It was a great job by the middle infielders."

It worked just as Paddock, who left Aurora University into the NCAAC World Series this year, said. Matt Bogie, Andrew Honegger, Matt Turner and Travis Riggs all went into twin killings that were started by Danville shortstop John Clark.

With the loss, Edwardsville fell into the losers bracket.

Edwardsville manager Ken Schaake, whose team is one game away from being eliminated from defending its national championship, took the loss in stride. "I just tried to tell them not to get their heads down, that the boys didn't go our way today," he said. "Unfortunately, we tried to pull a few of the outside pitches, and when we saw what happened to them."

"We had our chances early in the game and didn't come up with the hit and they capitalized on a couple walks, hit a fastpitch, and then they'd get a hit. They went with the pitch and we couldn't run (the ball) down in right-center and

in left-center on one occasion and that was pretty much the difference in the game."

Edwardsville jumped ahead in the top of the second on back-to-back singles by Turner and Honegger to open the inning. Turner scored on a wild pitch for a 1-0 lead and the only time Edwardsville was in the lead.

Danville tied the score in the bottom of the third when Edwardsville starter Nick Seibert (6-3) hit Clem with a pitch, which one out. Clem scored a RBI double by Kyle Davis.

Danville took the lead for good on Kirk Strebin's two-run single to right-center, just off the turn of an outstretched Turner.

Danville added an insurance run in the seventh after Seibert (6-3) hit a pitch with two out. Jim Lottich doubled down the left field line to score Davis to make it 4-3.

Each team committed two errors and Edwardsville outhit Danville 8-6. "The kids did hit the ball," Schaake said.

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Cahokia Goodwill Center, 1040 Camp Jackson Road.

Register at 9 a.m., Monday, Aug. 16, in the Career Center lobby.

Class meets from 9 a.m. to 12:50 p.m., weekdays, from Aug. 16 to Sept. 10.

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Register at 11 a.m., Monday, Aug. 16, in the City Hall lobby.

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Register at 9 a.m., Monday, Aug. 16, in Room 1006.

Class meets from 9 a.m. to 12:50 p.m., weekdays, from Aug. 16 to Sept. 10.

Granite City Campus, 4950 Maryville Road.

Register at 9 a.m., Monday, Aug. 16, in the Granite City Campus cafeteria.

Class meets from 9 a.m. to 12:50 p.m., weekdays, from Aug. 16 to Sept. 10.

Helen Davis Family Center, 109 N. 13th St.

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Class meets from 9 a.m. to 12:50 p.m., weekdays, from Aug. 16 to Sept. 10.

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Register at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 12, in the gym lobby.

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Cahokia High School, 800 Range Lane.

Register at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 12, in the library.

Class meets from 6:30-9:20 p.m., Tuesdays & Thursdays, from Aug. 12 to Oct. 7.

Granite City Campus, 4950 Maryville Road.

Register at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 12, in the cafeteria.

Class meets from 6:30-9:20 p.m., Tuesdays & Thursdays, from Aug. 12 to Oct. 7.

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Grigsby spring honor roll announced

Seventh- and eighth-graders on the honor roll for the second semester from Grigsby Middle School have been announced.

Students earning places on the rolls were from the St. Louis Cardinals baseball team for their efforts.

Students on the rolls include:

Rebecca Ambush, Melissa

Ashley Breanna Atchley,

Rohyn Baker, Michael

Balcer, Cory Ballentine,

Megan Bartels, Tabitha

Barton, Christopher Baugh,

Hilary Baugh,

Ashley Belles, Bradley

Bigham, Adrienne

Bilbaker, Morgan Bivens,

Ryan Black, Alicia Bookin,

Craig Brancato, Erika

Britten, Jonathan Brown,

Lindsay Brown,

Sherrie Brown, Zachary

Burch, Richard Bywater,

Angela Cade, Jamie

Carri, Erica Carney, Leslie

Cavins, Jennifer Chandler,

William Connolly, Wesley

Copper,

Jessica Curtis, Bradley

Davenport, Benjamin Davis,

Jeremy Davis, Shawn

Dolceo Pena, Danielle

Divietro, Jessica Dodson,

Leslie Dry, Melissa

Gergen, Marissa Duffield,

Rachael Eaton, Reva

Edmon, Erin Eichacker,

Amy Finazzo, Stacey

Flanders, Sara Flemon,

Dawn Flemon, Andrew

Flood, Brittany Fuzzeserry,

Amanda Gass,

James Gauen, Matthew

Gergen, Jonathan Goedeke,

Sara Gorham, Faryn

Gran, Adam Grindler,

Kelly Greathouse, Amanda

Griffin, Mark Hankes,

Donique Harden,

Harriet Hartwick, Ian

Hartzel, Amanda Hayes,

Christopher Hemphill, Sarah

Henderson, Justin Hileman,

Lynne Holloway, Nicole

Hornung,

Amanda Howard, Katie

Hubbard, David Huniak,

Vanesse Imboden, Kathryn

Ivie, Kelly Jackson, Ashley

Jordan, Ronald Johnson,

Alissa Johnston, Timothy

Jones,

Lyndy Kachadorian,

Hilary Kampfner, Sarah

Kemmer, Evan Kenyon,

Carolyn Kinnunen, Natalie

Koehler, Nichole Lance,

Brett Lapeire, Katrina Laub,

Amanda Laughlin,

Students on the honor roll were awarded

tickets to a St. Louis Cardinals game.

Social Notes

Ladies Coterie

The Ladies Coterie held its annual guest day and installation of officers June 20 at Ruth's Chris Restaurant in Granite City.

President Helen Stumpf welcomed the members and guests and offered the blessing. The installation luncheon was enjoyed by all.

Following the meal, president Stumpf thanked the outgoing officers and presented each with a gift.

The new officers installed are:

President, Denice Wright; Vice President, Barbara Lange; Treasurer, Elizabeth Briggs; Secretary, Jean Prritchard.

Gladys Paper was the installing officer. She presented each new officer a pin.

After the installation service, cards were enjoyed and prizes awarded.

Those attending were Lillian Delos, Esther Vasiloff, Betty Ebrecht, Virginia John, Margaret Johnson, Gladys Paper, Jean Prritchard, Elsie Rodell, Betty Schmedake, Guyla Stuart, Helen Stumpf, Helen Tonoff, Denice Wright.

Eight and Forty

The Eight and Forty of the American Legion Auxiliary held its meeting May 18 at Edwardsville American Legion Post 199.

Guests were Frances Eibek, Beatrice Halford and Dorothy Sooy. Lunch was served to 17 partners. The meeting was conducted by Zola Madine, chapeau from Behrle.

Judy Zimmerman, children and youth chair, reported \$98 was collected for the Mother's Day Test for Cystic Fibrosis. Irene Schneck, sees scholarship chair, collected \$10.40 for this fund.

Marjorie Rosenthal, music chair, led those in attendance in singing while participating in the coin march for campership of \$9.25 and pouvoir fund of \$9.38.

The attendance prize was won by Mary Ballentine of Madison.

Invitations were read for departmental chapeau Donna Miller's visits to the Fayette County and the Marion/Clinton County salons. Seven partners plan to attend each of these events.

Elections for officers was held for 1999-2000. The new officers will be:

Chapeau, Nan Paets of Alton; Demi Chapeau Premier Shirley Landolt of Alhambra; Demi Chapeau Second, Mary Mickelson of Highland; L'Archiviste, Zella Emde of Bethalto; L'Aumonier, Adaline Dry of Alton; and L'Assesseuse, Linda Harmon of Sorento. Appointed laSecrétaire was Dorothy Hinson of Madison and LaCaissier, Norma Hillmer of Marion.

Judy Zimmerman will be a candidate for delegate to the LaMarche Nationale in Anaheim, Calif., in September.

Delegates to the national convention LaMarche, to be held in Champaign in August, will be Wanda Taylor, Judy Zimmerman, Dorothy Hinson, Zella Emde, Norma Hillmer, Marjorie Rosenthal, Irene Schneck, and Frances Eibek.

A card party will be held at 1:30 p.m. Aug. 17 at the Highland American Legion post.

Those attending from this

area were Dorothy Hinson, Norma Hillmer, Mary Ballentine and Katie Buechele.

Beta Sigma Phi

Omicron Master Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in May in the home of Lora Lombardi, with President Imogene Forrest in charge.

Anne Haldeman reported on the recent Founders Day dinner held in the Forrest home. A donation to the Boy Scouts of America was authorized. Haldeman will present yellow roses as a memorial for each deceased member.

Forrest led members in reciting from the manual on officer duties. Joyce Alexander displayed common household items such as

vinegar, bleach, pepper, ammonia and baking powder that could be used to control plants, lawn and gardens for a green-safe environment.

Dessert was served to those mentioned above as well as Pat Tsigoloff, Evelyn Tolliver, Alice Konieczny and Dolores Dorth.

The second May meeting was held in the home of Diane Haldeman, preceding the installation of officers, the new president, Alice Konieczny, led the opening ritual. Evelyn Tolliver reported on the recent Mother's Day luncheon.

The Main or Baker II item was won by Alice Konieczny. Bea Bradkett read highlights from the current Torch magazine.

The evening program was provided by Bea Brackett on

"Spud Magic." She gave many suggestions, especially noting that without creamy or buttery topping, the potato is a filling, healthy food. A small bag of russet potatoes was given each member.

Business was referred to those mentioned earlier as well as Arlene Haldeman, Joyce Alexander, Inogene Forrest and Pat Tsigoloff.

The Executive Board of the Omicron Master met May 27 in the Konieczny home. Dinner was served to Arlene Haldeman, Imogene Forrest, Patricia Haldeman, Alice Konieczny and Dolores Dorth.

Business covered was the audit of the treasurer's book, the selection of new committees and the planning of socials and bi-monthly meetings.

GCHS announces honors

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Stewart, Hae Won Suh, Matthew Thomas, Kimberly Trobaugh, Marla VanSickle, Dustin Wesley, Jason Woodson, Amanda Zaring.

Seniors

Josefine Aguayo, Colin Anderson, Nathan Bain, Susan Baker, Rebekah Boone, Sarah Breidenbach, Jeremy

Champion, Chrissy Clinton, Sean Courtney, Amy Cox, Matt Cox, Shannon Cuvar, Christopher Davis, Jessica Davis, Paul Deason, Ryan Denny, Jamie Ellis, Sarah Gibson, Misti Ford,

Tisha Gilliam, Jennifer Thomas, Stephanie Trucks, Ryan Turner, Brittney Vaughn, Lindsay Wallace, Symeta Wallace, Joseph Warchol, Jared Warren, Melinda Mayes.

Amanda Rall, Frank Randall, Tiffany Rath, Jordan Ratner, Cecer Justin Riley, Kimberly Ripley, Kimberly Roady, Ashley Roberts, Ashley Roe, Stephanie Rusling, Heather Russell, Roger Saylor, Amy Simmons, Clinton Simon,

Emily Skouby, Timothy Smallie, Bryan Smith, Sarah Smothers, Emily Soltani, Hannah Spangler, Shelly Stahl, Michelle Stone, Tessa Stratton, Whitney Sykes.

Carrie Taylor, Jennifer Thomas, Stephanie Trucks, Ryan Turner, Brittney Vaughn, Lindsay Wallace, Symeta Wallace, Joseph Warchol, Jared Warren, Melinda Mayes.

Amanda White, John Whitehead, Jennifer Whitehead, Samuel Wilbur, Leslie Williams, Kelly Wilson, Melodi Winters, Matthew Woodiel, Salvador Woods, Shannon Wright, David Wykoff.

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7:10, 9:25

Inspector Gadget (PG-13)
12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:20, 9:25

Runaway Bride (PG) 1:30,
4:00, 7:00, 9:20

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The Haunting (PG-13) 2:00, 5:00,
7:30, 10:00
Deep Blue Sea (R) 1:45, 4:50,
7:20, 9:50

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Mystery Men (PG-13) 1:00,
3:50, 6:40, 9:00

Dick (PG-13) 2:50, 5:30, 7:30

American Pie (R) 2:30, 5:10,
7:30, 9:30

Inspector Gadget (PG) 1:00,
3:00, 5:00, 6:30, 9:10

The Blair Witch Project (R)
2:10, 4:20, 6:20, 8:20, 10:30

Iron Giant (PG) 1:20,
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Drop Dead Gorgeous (PG-13)
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Runaway Bride (PG) 1:30,
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PRIZES

Holik guest of honor at bridal shower; blessed event arrives

Angela Holik was the honoree at a July 22 bridal shower given by her cousins Brandy Johnson, Cindy Heffery and Kathy Winnie at Nelson Hagnauer Township Hall.

Finger foods, chips, soft drinks and cake were served and games were played during the afternoon.

Guests included Angela's mother, Karen Holik, from Elsie; her grandmother, Marie Winnie; Angela's fiance's mother, Jane Clarkston and her daughter, Mary Clarkston, from Jerseyville; Donna Johnson; Clara Mitchell; Angel Cottner; Anthony Stasiak; Bernadette Winnie; Laura Winnie; Corky Clarkston.

Angela and Jim Clarkston were scheduled to be married



Maxine Green

on in Jerseyville Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland (Kitty Jackson) Denton are announcing the arrival of their daughter, Amber Leigh, July 8 at Anderson Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed in at 7 pounds, 10.5 ounces and was 19 inches long. Amber joins a brother, Brandon, 11 years old.

The Saturn Club held their July meeting at Saturn of North County and made plans for all their upcoming events.

Craig Straub, president of the Sports Car Club of

America, spoke to the members about the autocross in Belleville and how to autocross if they wanted to participate.

The annual club picnic was held July 10 at Feeney and Park. The club furnished the barbecue. Members took a side dish and drinks and a white elephant for the Bingo games. The children enjoyed the playgrounds and everyone had a great time.

July's charity project was secondhand clothes and \$100 donations to Room at the Inn, which is a shelter for the poor and the homeless in St. Louis County.

They are making their home in Virginia Beach, Va., where the father is stationed in the U.S. Navy at Norfolk Naval Shipyards.

Mike and Diane Corrado had a son, John, July 12, by Bill and Nancy Campbell and their children, Gary, Kassie and Tyler of Macon, Mo. They also visited other friends and Kassie visited Angela Nicole, Amy Wilhelmy and Catherine Hale.

Michael and Camilla Summers, former residents of Granite City, are announcing the birth of their daughter Breonna Rose July 14 at Portsmouth Naval Hospital in Virginia.

She weighed in at 7 pounds, 3 ounces, and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are David and Sheila Williams; paternal grandparents are Wannada Pellette and Bob Brock. Great-grandparents are John and Carmen Williams and Wannada Smith of Granite City.

They are making their home in Virginia Beach, Va., where the father is stationed in the U.S. Navy at Norfolk Naval Shipyards.

Maxine Green covers the social scene for the Granite City Press-Record/Journal. If you have an item you would like to see in this column, contact Maxine at 931-6256.

Metro-East Lutheran High announces fourth-quarter 1999 honor roll

The following students from Metro-East Lutheran High School named to the Honor Roll at Metro-East Lutheran High School in Edwardsville for the fourth quarter and second semester of the 1998-99 school year:

High Honor Roll: Brian Dill, Brian Fink, Brian Fife, Collinsville; Angela Kuehl, Glen Carbon; Rachel Sprengel, Edwardsville; Lynn Stahlhut, Edwardsville; Amy Streuter, Collinsville; Alison Weese, Edwardsville.

High Honor Roll: Hannah Enke, Bunker Hill; Jaime Fravel, Worden; Nathaniel Gingrich, Maryville; Sara Jo

Oltmann, Edwardsville; Andrew Tully, Wood River; Kelly Trav, Troy.

Honor Roll: Heather Epperson, Granite City; Melissa Griffin, Litchfield; Bryan Harris, Collinsville; Stephanie Wiemers, Hamel, Edwardsville.

Juniors

High Honor Roll with Distinction: Emilie Groth, Edwardsville; James Starrett, Edwardsville; Erin Zukosky, Collinsville.

High Honor Roll: Tara Kuehl, Wood River; Andrew Lauber, Collinsville; Carrie Mueller, Glen Carbon; Brent Sankey, Collinsville; Matthew Terry, Edwardsville.

Honor Roll: Anthony Brandt, Collinsville; Bert Cross, Maryville; Chad Duey, Maryville; Andrew Foley, Granite City; Eric Helm, Collinsville; Jason Hochen, Edwardsville; Tamara Mertz, Staunton; Leigh Anne Staden, Collinsville; Matthew Winfield, Edwardsville; Kimberly Wories, Edwardsville; Rachel

Wren, Collinsville.

Sophomores

High Honor Roll with Distinction: Sarah Boeger, Maryville; Mattew Galen, Troy; Andy Gimbel, Collinsville; Aaron Gingrich, Maryville; Katrina Kotwitz, Edwardsville; Megan Mueller, Edwardsville; Jason Redden, Edwardsville; Christopher Schelp, Dorsey.

High Honor Roll: Ryan Kemper, Maryville; Renee Seeger, Glen Carbon; Jeremy Smith, Edwardsville.

Honor Roll: Marissa Berrey, Wood River; Jay Casciori, Glen Carbon; Nathan Chappell, Collinsville; Michael Edwards, Edwardsville; Jeremiah Fravell, Worden; Adam Hart,

Granite City; David Jun Collinsville; Jason Murphy, Collinsville; Daniel Schoenleber, Edwardsville; Luanne Wories, Edwardsville.

Freshmen

High Honor Roll with Distinction: Sarah Enke, Bunker Hill; Nathan Kunkel, Edwardsville; Kenneth Merle, Collinsville; Brendan Mutchek, Troy; Gretchen Rust, Glen Carbon; Thad Sankey, Collinsville.

High Honor Roll: Melissa Mays, Granite City; Jeremy Mercer, Troy; Lacey Porter, Troy; Elizabeth Rincker, Collinsville; Philip Schlesker, Collinsville; Stephen Senici, Troy; Erick Teichgraeber, Collinsville.

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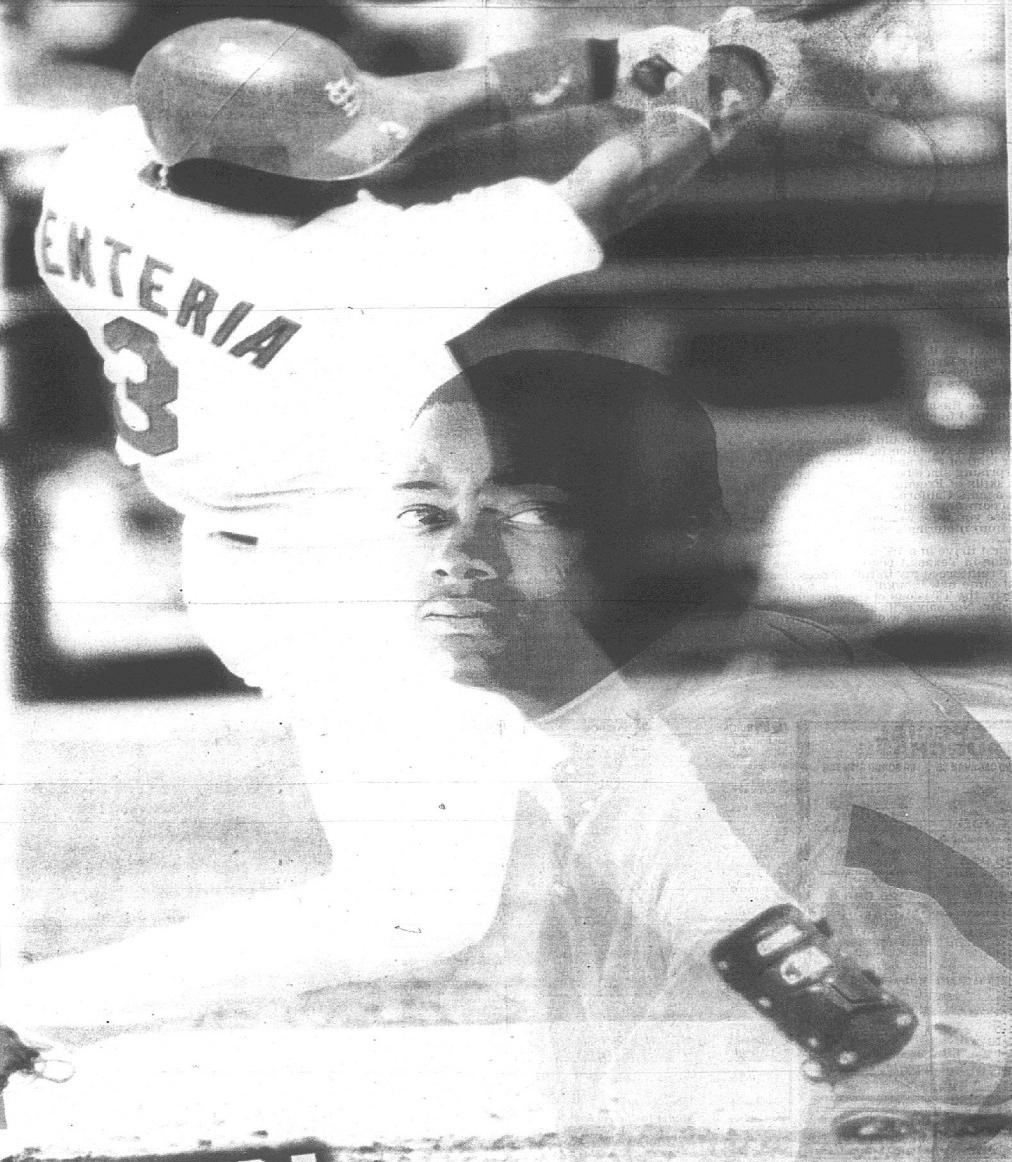
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Audi's TT sets new standard for style

By Tom Strongman

There's something really special about

Audi's TT. You can always tell which test car has the most appeal by the number of neighbors who stop to talk about it as it sits in my driveway. Call it the Curiosity Quotient.

For this year, the TT tops the list. For the few short days I drove its denim-blue coupe in my driveway, its unique styling attracted visitors like the flashing blue light at Kmart. As folks stopped to chat, the conversation hinged on the car's styling risks.

Incredibly, there would be some reference to Volkswagen's New Beetle, which exhibits a similar kind of zest and individuality. That's not surprising since both cars reflect the design of the same man. That's a designer in Volkswagen's California studio. But too share a common platform, or basic structure.

In case you were wondering, the TT's name comes from motoring's oldest race, the Tourist Trophy.

My first drive in a TT was for part of a day last spring in Texas. A regular test drive here at home reinforced my initial impressions and brought some more thoughts to the surface.

Clearly, the TT is a looker. It's a classic car of the year. Not only is its styling refreshingly clean, it also drives as well or better than any other front-wheel-drive car I know. On top of that, its base price of \$30,500 is quite reasonable.

If there's one serious drawback to the TT, it's the fact that Audi will import only about

4,000 of them this year, and maybe just 10,000 next year. Exclusivity requires patience, so if you want one, be prepared to wait.

The clever exterior is almost overshadowed by the interior, where polished aluminum surrounds the air vents and gear shifter. It's also used for pedals and the braces from the dash to the floor. The cup holder is a work of art in simple tubing. It's too bad it is located so far back, though. The seats where it is hard to reach.

Side air bags that protect body and head are built into the seats.

With a wheelbase of 95.4 inches, the TT is not a big car. The roof is low, the trunk is small and the hatchback version is good for a briefcase. The back seat folds down, though, to open up a more useful space when needed.

Snuggled under the TT's blunt nose is a 180-horsepower, 1.8-liter, turbocharged four-cylinder engine with variable valve timing. This big-hearted gem drives the front wheels through a five-speed manual gearbox, and shifting is positively delightful because it has one direct gearshift linkage I have experienced in a car.

The stubby lever is topped by a large round shift knob trimmed in, you guessed it, aluminum. Changing gears is a delight. The smooth, small-displacement engines that are turbocharged still have torque lag, which is how long it takes for the engine to react after you mash the throttle. Audi, however, uses a small turbo that spins quickly and adds power at very low speeds, giving the car the responsiveness of a much bigger engine without as much of

a mileage penalty.

The car I drove earlier in the year seemed a touch faster than the one I drove at home, but that's probably because I was already familiar with the engine. Regardless, both had more than adequate zip, going to 60 mph in a little over seven seconds. An even more powerful version with 225-horsepower is planned for the future. A convertible is coming as well.

Some front-wheel-drive cars dart about under heavy acceleration, but the TT is tight for traction, and some feet reluctant to turn sharp into fast corners. Audi has done a good job of taming both of these tendencies with the TT.

The car tracks straight and turns with good grip. Power is delivered to the road and charges through as if it were held to the road by a magnet, grip courtesy of the optional 17-inch wheels. The quick-ratio steering is ideally

off speed impressively. Anti-lock is standard.

The TT is Audi's shining star, the one car whose goodness echoes across the whole model range. It's a reminder to companies that a company can bring its essence to production without sacrificing its essence. The fact that it was done using many parts common to other models is a major factor in keeping the price out of the stratosphere. Now, if Audi could only build more of them.

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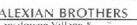
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BEGINNING MAY 1, 1999 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2000.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE

VILLAGE OF FAIRMONT CITY, ILLINOIS:

Section 1. That there be and there is hereby appropriated for the Village of Fairmont City, Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning on the first day of April, 1999, and ending on the 30th day of April, 2000, from the taxes, licenses, motor fuel tax, road and bridge maintenance fees, assessments of real estate, and other revenues of the village, the sum of FOUR MILLION SIX HUNDRED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$4,611,500.00) to defray the necessary expenses and disbursements for said fiscal year, the same to be apportioned as follows:

Section 2. That there be and there is hereby appropriated for the payment of salaries of the officers and employees of the Village of Fairmont City, Illinois, for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2000, the sum of \$1,000,000.00.

Section 3. That there be and there is hereby appropriated for the payment of expenses and disbursements for the operation of the Village Hall, the sum of \$100,000.00.

Section 4. That there be and there is hereby appropriated for the payment of expenses and disbursements for the operation of the Fire Department, the sum of \$100,000.00.

Section 5. That there be and there is hereby appropriated for the payment of expenses and disbursements for the operation of the Police Department, the sum of \$100,000.00.

Section 6. That there be and there is hereby appropriated for the payment of expenses and disbursements for the operation of the Parks and Recreation Department, the sum of \$100,000.00.

Section 7. That there be and there is hereby appropriated for the payment of expenses and disbursements for the operation of the Library, the sum of \$100,000.00.

Section 8. That there be and there is hereby appropriated for the payment of expenses and disbursements for the operation of the Health Department, the sum of \$100,000.00.

Section 9. That there be and there is hereby appropriated for the payment of expenses and disbursements for the operation of the Auditorium, the sum of \$100,000.00.

Section 10. That there be and there is hereby appropriated for the payment of expenses and disbursements for the operation of the Post Office, the sum of \$100,000.00.

Section 11. That there be and there is hereby appropriated for the payment of expenses and disbursements for the operation of the Fire Protection Department, the sum of \$100,000.00.

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